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RESPONSE

This communication is in response to the Non-Final Action mailed December 14, 2005.
A Petition for a one-month Extension of Time to respond is provided herewith. Please amend
the above-identified application as indicated on the attached pages.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.